(b) whether any enquiry has been conducted in this regard;

(c) if so, the findings there and the measures taken to re-start it; and

(d) the total loss incurred due to non-functioning of Gas Turbine-2?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) to (d). The captive Gas Turbine belonging to Oil and Natural Gas Commission (ONGC), has gone out of order on account of failure of air filter. There is no production loss to ONGC as the requisite power is obtained from the Maharashtra State Electricity Board Power grid.

**Excavation of Bauxite Deposits**

6328. SHRI V. S. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government conducted any survey to excavate bauxite deposits in Kerala during the last year; and

(b) if so, the details of places in the State having Bauxite deposits and the total estimated deposits therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) and (b). The Union Government have not carried out any survey for bauxite in Kerala during the last year. However, as a result of surveys carried out earlier by various Central and State Government agencies, a total reserve of 10.661 million tonnes of bauxite with 40-59% $Al_2O_3$ and 1-9% $SiO_2$ were estimated in Kesargode and Cannanore districts.

The deposit wise up is 0.44 M. T. in Anantapurgudda, 1.83 M. T. in Kumbla and 0.70 in Narayanamangalam taluk in Kasargode district and 0.71 M. T. in Kanhangad, 6.1 M. T. in Nileshwar and 1.52 M. T. in Taliparamba block of Cannanore district. (M. T. = Million tonnes)

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**Employment of Persons by Pepsi Cola**

6329. SHRI MAHENDRA KUMAR SINGH THAKUR: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Pepsi has given an assurance to provide employment to 50 thousand persons in India;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of persons who have been provided jobs in Pepsi Cola os far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c). Original propose of M/s. Punjab Agro Industries Corpn. joint venture with M/s. Pepsico Inc., USA and Voltas indicated direct and indirect employment generation of over 20,000 in the first live years via expansion of processed food and beverage markets. Punjab Government, however, had intimated likely employment creation to be of the order of 50,000 nationally including 15,000 in the farm sector. The project has reportedly generated direct and indirect employment of over 25,000 excluding the seasonal employments at the farm level. Creation of more employment opportunity will depend upon the progress of the project.